VERPLANCK COLVIN, BORE.

AN OFFICIAL REPORT MAKER WITH AN APPALLING PAST.

gis Universal and Percantal Work; What Verplanck Colvin Saw, Heard, Smelled, Tasted, Touched, Breamed, and Thought During Years of His Life, Printed at the Expense of the State of New York,

Now that Mr. Verplanck Colvin is trying once more to enter the service of the State, this time by getting the votes of the people as a candidate for the office of State Engineer and Surveyor on the Republican ticket, it will not be amiss if the people be reminded of the amusing, expensive, exasperating, and impertinent way in which Mr. Colvin conducted simself during nearly twenty years of office-

It will be shown that aside from other disabilities of a serious nature, Mr. Verplanck Colvin is unfit for the office on the ground of being a fussy, verbose, and interminable ore. So long as a man bores himself the State does not interfere, nor does it meddle when he wearles his wife and family and friends; but when he wearles the whole State and gets a large salary for doing so, all will agree that it is high time to call a halt. So pompous and solemn was Mr. Verplanck Colvin that he held the Legislature in awe of him for nearly a fifth of a century. But at last he got so expensive and so tedious that he was cut off, not suddealy, but gently, as was charitable; for Mr. Verplanck Colvin has always meant well.

THA BORE MOUNTS HIS HOBBY.

It came about in this wise that Mr. Verplank Colvin, born in Albany in 1847, was folsted upon the State of New York. Mr. Colvin was a person of education and breeding. Early in life he became impressed with the idea that he was a great man. As soon as matters permitted, he decided to let his greatness take the direction of scientific and geographical discovery. Whether he had no stomach for savage tribes and distant lands. or simply followed fate, he became a crank on the subject of the Adirondacks. He insisted that all the Adirondack region was an un-known country, that its fauna, flora, inhabitants, and so forth were waiting for Columbus

FROM A PRIVATE TO A PUBLIC NUISANCE.

So soon after the civil war. Mr. Verplanck Colvin was nosing and prying about in the dirondacks to his no small self-glorification and to the profound ignorance of all the rest of the world. If his own ingenuous account is to be credited, some friends of his, in an evil bour for the State of New York, found out what he was doing. They discovered that Mr. Verplanck Colvin had discovered that the Adirondacks had not been surveyed! Think of that, and then think further that Mr. Colvin felt sure that the exact heights of the mountains. the precise depths of the valleys had not been ertained. This dreadful state of affairs was laid before the Legislature, and Mr. Verplanck Colvin became superintendent of the Adirondack survey with an annual appropriation and a staff of men. This was bad enough, but not the worst, for Mr. Colvin was commanded to make annual report to the Legislature of his progress.

Although the law explicitly provided that this survey was to be a survey only, and that Mr. Colvin was to act as a surveyor, make maps, put up landmarks, and the like, Mr. Colvin took no such narrow view of his commission. He organized himself into a geographical, botanical, ethnological, geological, eteorological, mineralogical, and astronomisal society, a literary bureau, and a general gossiping and self-admiring commission. There was incidental surveying, but so purely incidental that it is hardly worth mentioning.

ELEVEN YEARS' COST OF BORE AND HORBY. This was kept up for eleven years. Mr. Ver-planck Colvin passed all his time in pursuit of his hobby, produced reports of most amazing size and incredible contents, accumulated gray hairs, and a reputation for learning of a ysterious kind. Then a Governor of New

York sat upon him. This Governor in a mesfor sat upon him. This Governor in a message to the Legislature in 1883 said:

"The appropriation of \$2,500 to complete
he Adirondack survey is approved, since by
saw that work must terminate during the next
iscal year. It originated in much the same
say as the State survey, and has cost, exsustive of the amount paid for printing the
ceports, \$77,275. It is for the people to judge
shether any public good has been served by
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This last sentence indicates that Mr. Colvin must have passed some time in distributing the books. The exact cost of printing all these foluminous reports cannot be got at, but it was at least \$30.000, and was in all probability wice that sum. If Mr. Colvin had confined simself to his duties, the cost of the survey would have been a trifle compared with what a actually was, the reports would have been that actually was, the reports would have been mail and compact and valuable. The only oss would have been the loss of a chance to verplanck Colvin, savant, explorer, blower of he Colvin horn, de, to exploit himself as a prodigy of scientific learning and ability at the expense of the people of New York.

The hobby offers a new Name.

When the Governor sat upon Mr. Colvin. here was some little hope that he would be rot rid of. But somehow or other he bobbed ip again as superintendent of a survey of state lands, which is practically another name or the Adirondack region. In 1880 another reat report appeared amid a great tooting of he Colvin hore, and then Colvin and his resorted disappeared. Now Mr. Colvin is in sight scale. He wants a chance to spend some more state money on his hobbies. He wants a thance to make some more reports, to write tome more literature, and when one thinks what a field there would be for report making in the office he seeks, it is hard to restrain the's fears, even though his chances for election are small.

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Mr. Verplanck Colvin's writings are on the lustiest shelves of State libraries, in the atles of his friends' houses, on the centre table in his own front partor. In the index to the reports for 1874-79 you will find, among half a thousand subjects, the following, taken at candom: United States srmy, hear found lead, hear hunts frogs, hear's meat, heavers, loog bilberry, bunch herry, butterfiles: Campridge observatory. Canada, canala, cedars, sharecal, cougar, deer killed by panther, sarthquake, dust haze, explosion, entomol-ky; fish taken by hand, foreign publications, frostfish, fungi, future of Adrondacks; Harvard College, heat, Holland, lilness, indian raffic; Labrador tea, lightning, moccasins, sabbit, rainbow, salary not paid, smoke haze, talpe, snowbirds, snowfiea, snow shoes, sugaring for moths, sufferings, very remarkable mountain, vapor."

This index, of which the above is but a small dose, includes every subject from theology to geology. Annual Report of a Topographical survey is the name of these four great tomes of unimportant information. They should ather he called Step by Step Over Every Inch of the Adirondacks: or What Verplanck Colvin Saw, Heard, Smellod, Tasted, Touched, Dreamed, and Thought During Eleven Years of His Life, Printed at the Expense of the State of New York, but Not as Yet Published.

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He begins this survey, called topographical, but in reality universal, with an introduction of great length and beauty. It abounds in adjectives, adverbs, exclamations, and cestasies. He says: "A few summers since I stood for the first time on the cool, mossy shore of the mountain springlet lake. Tear-of-the-Clouds, beseeching not in vain from each low diffing cloud some tribute for the sources of the Hudson." He then sketches the summer resorts, the pastimes of tourists, describes the purling of brooks, the crash of deers' horns against the boughs. He descends for a few plages to the vulgar details of surveying, which he yet illumines with ornate English, and the tracks of the panther (Fells concolor), which it was my fortune that my guides first found the tracks of the panther (Fells concolor), which it was my fortune this day to encounter and kill." He speaks of "those who had grown gray in the service." He tells how hundreds of snow birds (Flectrophanes) rose futering at our approach, and two eagles, rising from the guilf, soared past us majestically, aumindful of revolver shots. "Mr. Colvin omits the Latin name of eagles, though he very commendably mentions that of the snow birds. But he moves on as loftily and as majestically as the eagles. See how he adorns the commonplace making of a landmark: "Another permanent bench mark was also cut in the stone of the summit there, and then the party broke out spontaneously into hurrahs! But ther wolces and revolver shots sounded weak and faint in that thin, frosty atmosphere, and the men had a wild and eingular appearance. In consonance with the place, season.

and occasion." He tells what they had for suppor that night, as indeed he tells what they had for every meal for eleven years. TRUNDER, ICE. RAINBOWS, AND SNOW FLEAS.

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Their nights were disturbed sometimes by a crash like some strange thunder, and we started up to see a vast mass of ice go dashing down into the abyss below." He relates a touching story of "a young rabbit (Lepus Americanus)" with about as much point to it as a Dundreary conundrum,

"We were so fortunate as to behold a rainbow of most singular beauty, in its forms ophenomenal and extraordinary that I hastened to sketch its figure. Suddenly upon the face of the dark storm the rainbow shone, not one nor two, but three bright bands of color. It seemed as though Providence smiled upon our labors." And he has added the colored sketch, at great expense, to the report of the survey, anything more dreadful than this sketch does not exist.

Later on they find snow fleas, which he describes with minuteness. Then they have hunting adventures. A hare sits by the roadside and waits for them to shoot it. A half-starved dog is rescued, trout leaped from the brooks to get to them, a bear trail invited them, a panther crosses their path. At this Mr. Colvin grows pensive. "Whether in the dark recess among the rocks tif found a home, or in some sunny glade with southern exposure, all sheltered from chilly northern gales with dense evergreens, we do not know."

THE FOOR NEGLECTED LEPIDOPTERA.

He winds up with a crescendo upon his winter quarters. "Frozen clouds drift slowly and wearily below. Away to the south and west in billows and billows of dazzling sliver," and so on for a thousand words or so; and all this twaddle and frippery and tomfoolery spread over hundreds of pages, with only a little about surveying. Still the book is not done. There is an appendix on lepidoptera, which Mr. Verplanck Colvin thinks have been unjustly neglected. They trap the willy nocturide with sugar. They begulie the foxy haterocera with molasses. Mr. Verplanck Colvin is not economical of words or space. The State of New York is paying for it all, and Mr. Colvin doesn't care how much it costs. THE POOR NEGLECTED LEPIDOPTERA.

A DISH OF DREAMY WARM-OVER. A DISH OF DREART WARM-OVER.
When Mr. Verplanck Colvin ceased to be overproductive of Adirondack surveys and became superintendent of State land surveys, he was quiet in the matter of reports for a few years, but he was busy in the Adirondacks. In 1886 he burst out, for fear of exploding, with a mass of dreary trash which might be regarded as a bringing together with the addition of a few later acquired stupidities of all the trash that his brain had thrown off in the years before. He thought it was new, but it was only the old more pompously put.

HE WANTS \$500,000 FOR HOBBY-FEED. HE WANTS \$500,000 FOR HOBEY-FEED.

He begins this now edition of "Step by Step Over Every Inchof the Adirondacks" with a pompous account of what ought to be done. "An appropriation of \$50,000 per annum for ten years, 'says he; and this prepares one for the remainder of the book. With \$50,000 per annum for ten years, this assiduous soul would have described every stick and stone, every bush, every bird and beast in the Adirondack region. His estimate for the next year is \$28.850, which he regards as meagre, and he says this does not include the printing of certain quarto volume which he has projected. This projection of quarto volumes was the last straw.

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In this volume for 1886 he takes on the style of a field marshal or some such warlike person. He has a staff of fifty-three persons in six divisions. He describes himself as "taking the field." He relates how he hurried to catch a train with all the pomp and seriousness of an historian describing the march of a mighty army. He tells what the survey has done. It has found beds of fron, has measured from base lines, has caught butterflies, has killed deer, has penetrated a "howling wilderness." has described fauna has discovered lakes, and has made a few maps.

"Space does not admit," says he, "of a detailed account of the work of the survey. This must be sought in the published volumes of reports, of which thousands of copies have been issued by the State." He devotes pages to accounts of variations of the magnetic needle from the eighteenth century to date, and adds vast tables. But, when he tells of the perils he encountered, he surpasses himself:

"Snow and storm," says he, "sleet and flere winter gales beat upon my tent. Deserted by my men. I had remained in camp alone upon the summit." Again, he says of Assistant Farnsworth: "Though hindered by fogs, he remained resolutely at the signal in a tent banked with snow and sheeted with ice until longer waiting was evidently fruitless." Washington at Valley Forge was not more herolo than Mr. Colvin in his story.

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WHAT THE BORE CALLS BREVITY. After wading through socres of pages you come upon this: "This brief introduction is merely designed as an introduction to the detailed statement." This "brief introduction" is 8,600 words long and is illustrated by an engraving. Then comes a mass of stuff called general observations of which this is a specimen: "The beauty of Raquette Lake has been sung by poets, and the charm of its clustering islands," &c. He winds up with eloquence: "Huge are these undecipherable pages of the world's annals, enormous and difficult to read. And he was drawing a salary for making a survey and to report its figures and tables.

After preliminaries he gets down to business—the business of recording his eating, drinking, eleeping, and seeing. "I was delighted to find a long ridge. This was a great discover," And again: "Now we were camped upon the banks of a river whose clear, pure waters swept swiftly by. The rush of the rapids, mingled with the whispering of the winds, soothed the weary that night."

THE MAN REVELLED IN THE BOOK.

Then he has a diary-poetry, lamentation, description of how his dinner tasted, what he said to his guides, and what they said to him. description of how his dinner tasted, what he said to his guides, and what they said to him. You get too well acquainted with Verplanck Colvin. You feel that he is a slow, painstaking man, with few and dull wits, who proses and proses. When he says he is snowed in, your heart leaps with delight, and when hersays the snow is melting, you feel him coming and hear the slow clack of his endless tongue. He says: "Nov. 5—The last man has deserted, and thus I am alone in camp. Cold and snow were too much for this fellow." Mr. Verplanck Colvin may have believed this was the man's reason for leaving. Then he falls to discussing rainfall and elevations and all sorts of things. And through all this are scattered pictures. "drawn by Verplanck Colvin." They represent Indians and dogs and derricks and snow and Colvin, and everything and anything except what pictures in a report of a survey should represent.

Mr. Verplanck Colvin is a dangerous man to put where he can make reports.

The Twenty-four Meet.

Every one of Tammany's Committee of Twenty-four was present at a meeting held in he Wigwam yesterday afternoon. Encouraging reports concerning the work done in their respective districts were made, and all were confident of winning substantial victories at the polls on Tuesday. The Committee on Or-ganization will meet this afternoon.

"Tut." Says the Postmaster.

A well-known Republican remarked to Postnaster Van Cott in the Fifth Avenue Hotel last

master van inight:
"They say we are coming down to the Harlem River with a plurality of 80,000."
Remarked Mr. van Cott:
"Tut: I've heard those stories so often that
I'm getting tired of them."

Shots Along the Skirmish Line.

Simon Steingut, who is in the real estate ousiness at 31 Second avenue, sent a letter on Wednesday resigning from the Steckler Association, saying: "I find it inconsistent with my political precepts to longer remain with an organization which has adopted Democratic principles, advanced them to its supporters, now tacitly admits the edicts of the Republi-

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Charles Steckler is reported as having said that Steingut was expelled from the association several months ago for non-payment of dues. Mr. Steingut said last night that he would to-day bring suit against Steckler for libel in the sum of \$10,000. He says the charge is false.

The Tammany people of the Tenth district will hold a parade this evening, which they promise will surpass anything in that line ever undertaken by a district organization. A cavalry corps of \$00 men will be the chief feature of the procession. Ten brass bands and a number of fife and drum corps have been engaged. The William Floke Association, the Double X Coterie, the George F. Roesch Battery, and delegations from the Eighth and Fourteenth Assembly districts will take part. The Jeffersonians of the Fifteenth Assembly district will hold a grand ratification meeting this evening at their headquarters. Thirtyniath street, near Ninth avenue. Previous to the meeting the club, to the number of 1,000, will parade through the district, starting at 7 o clock. Ex-Assemblyman Frederick Heffner will act as Grand Marshal. At the meeting speeches will be made by Herman Enberlander, George Stiehn, Wolfrang Goetz, M. D. Henry Dohne, John B. McGoldrick, Joseph H. Steiner, John J. Delaney, Thomas Blessing, and Patrick Logan.

The Republican machinists were bold enough yesterday to accept an offer from Col. Elliott F. Shepard to address a meeting to be held at 1 o clock to-day on the steps of the Bub.-Treasury. Stewart L. Woodford and L. E. Chittenden will speak also.

The Democratic State ticket will be boomed to-night by a parade in the Third district of the James F. Murphy Campaign Club. Four hundred men will be in line. A feature of the parade will be a stuffed tiger mounted on a truck decorated with thas and bunting.

Wonderful results follow the use of Piso's Gure for Consumption. Coughs quickly yield. All druggists.

COMPTROLLER MYERS SPEAKS He to Ill to Philadelphia, but Will be Her

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—Comptroller The dore W. Myers of New York went away for a few days' rest on Wednesday. He had been sick for ten days with bronchitis, and his physician, Dr. Holbrook Curtis, told him that unless he had an immediate change of air and a complete rest he would not be responsible for his life. The reason for the Comptroller's sudden disappearance was not known except among h

of it they began circulating a report that the Comptroller didn't like the Democratic ticket, and that he had gone away to escape saying so.

Mr. Myers is a County Democrat, and the fool Republicans said that all the County Democrate were going to vote against the ticket. The Comptroller was found at the Hotel Bellevue in Philadelphia late this evening. He looked ill, but he said he felt like a prince compared to his feelings when he went away on Wednesday. This is what he said about the Democratio ticket and the County Demo-

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"I think that one of the greatest calamities that could befall the State of New York would be the defeat of our Democratic candidate on the State ticket. Roswell P. Flower represents all that is necessary for an honest business administration of the State Government and more. I believe that the abuse that is being heaped upon Tammany Hall and the lies that are being told about the administration of the Government of the city of New York will help to swell the majority of the whole State ticket." I am a County Democrat, and I am as confident that the County Democrate as a body will support the ticket loyally as I am of anything. I have been so assured by men who are in a position to know. In some districts they have nominated candidates for Senate, Assembly, and local offices. This will result simply in helping the State ticket. They will draw out all the votes. It is silly to take about my not favoring the whole ticket. I favor it heartily. Make that just as strong as you can. I sincerely hope and trust that it will be elected by a big majority, for it means honest government."

The Comptroller said he would be back in the city surely on Bunday morning, and would be on hand on election day to do all he could. He thinks that Flower's majority will be about 20,000.

DEMOCRATIC PARADE IN BALTIMORE. Senator Gorman and Others Hurt by the Fall of a Reviewing Stand.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 30.—The Democrats closed their campaign to-night with a monster pa-rade and mass meeting. The streets along the route of march were packed, and from 12,000 to 15,000 voters marched in line. An accident late in the evening marred the celebration.

The reviewing stand at the corner of Madison and Eutaw streets, on which were seated Senator Gorman and many other prominent Democrats, fell, throwing the occupants into the street. Senator Gorman fell in the mud, and was severely bruised and shaken up. Without telling any one how much he was hurt, he quietly slipped away and went to the Carrollton Hotel, where he telephoned for a physician. Late this evening the Senator was said to be resting easy. Congressman Compton hurt his foot badly, and Mr. John P. Poe's foot was cut.

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DELEGATE FENTON FINDICATED.

The C. L. U. Says He Dis Ne. Sell Out to Grantle Cutters' Union, who was expleid from that body upon charges preferred by Delegate M. J. McCabe of the granite cutters, was vindicated by the delegates at a special meeting of the Central Labor Union held last night at Clarendon Hall.

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right of jurisdiction on the work being done on the new seminary at Dunwoodie station. Yonkers. John J. Honry of the Progress Association of Steam Fitters was Chairman, and both Mr. McCabe and Mr. Fenton were on hand. Mr. Fenton is candidate on the Republican ticket for Senator in the Eleventh Senatorial district.

Mr. McCabe, who was summoned specially to the meeting, made the charges and then withdrew. John Tasker, delegate of the steam fitters, moved that the Central Labor Union should put itself on record as endorsing Mr. Fenton, and denouncing the charges against him as malicious and untrue, and further that a circular expressing the confidence of the Central Labor Union in his integrity should be printed for general circulation. The motion was carried amid cheers.

sister, Mrs. H. C. Symonds, for \$45,000 yesterday. Sheriff Schirmer made the seizure. The attachment covers all of Mrs. Symonds's real and personal property, her stock and interest in the Brandreth pill concern, her stock and interest in the Brandreth plaster factory, her \$3,000 legacy from the Bacon estate, and all other securities held by her or in which she has any interest. The news of the seizure made a stir in this neighborhood, where the Brandreths are so well known, and all sorts of Brandreths are so well known, and all sorts of rumors were started.

A reporter called at Mr. Brandreth's residence to-night, but Mr. Brandreth was at Hammill's btation, L. I. Mrs. Symonds is living on her farm at Los Gatos, Cal. Mr. Brandreth's attorney was seen, and he said that the seizure had been made by Mr. Brandreth to protect his sister's interests. She had been speculating in real estate and other things, and had fallen into the hands of men who were trying to get her money. Mr. Brandreth had decided that the only way to protect her and save her from ruin was to make this attachment.

Both Sides Expect to Win in Iowa,

DES MOINES, Oct. 30.-The political campaign just drawing to a close has been hotly con-tested by both parties. Prohibition has been discussed by nearly all the speakers, but it is generally conceded by the leaders that it will not be the deciding question. The question of rearrangeing the Congress districts has been a conspicuous one, urged especially by the Re-

The Democrats say they will hold most of the Anti-Prohibition Republican vote which two years ago was cast for Boies, the Democratic candidate. The Republicans believe a

oratic candidate. The Republicans believe a majority of these voters will return to the party on account of the redistricting and other issues.

Chairman Mack of the Republican State Committee said to-night that estimates based on reports from seventy-four counties gave Wheeler, Republican, a probable plurality of 12,000. Chairman Fuller of the Democratic Committee placed the probable Democratic Committee placed the probable Democratic plurality at from 11,000 to 13,000, based on reports considered conservative.

Boles, the Democratic candidate for Goveanor, it is estimated, will run from 4,000 to 8,000 ahead of his ticket. The Poople's or Farmers' Alliance party, it is estimated, will not poll more than 15,000 votes all told, and largely drawn from the Greenback and Union Labor elements. The Prohibitionists have a ticket in the field, but apparently will not poll a large vote.

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Finds Many Churches Are Only Social Clubs. GRAND RAPIDS, Oct. 30.-The Wesleyan Methodist General Conference has decided to go back to the article of 1848, that "entire santification is a gift of the Holy Ghost, which is subsequent to regeneration and is received instantaneously." until the proposed new artieles are adopted. The decision was arrived at after a prolonged and heated debate.

The Social Reform Committee reported that many churches have degenerated into social many churches have degenerated into social clubs; that secret societies are the greatest obstacle the Church meets in saving souls; that the tobacco habit is almost as bad as the liquor habit; that saloons exist only through the sanction of voters; that the Conterence condemns the action of the present Administration at Washington for its course in adding the spread of the liquor traffic in South America and Africa. The report was adopted. Besolutions were adopted deploring the growing disregard for the Sabbath and condemning the custom by the railroads and the press especially.

Ex-Speaker Reed Ill to Ohio,

AKRON. Ohio. Oct. 30 .- Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed, who has been suffering with a severe cold for some time, was taken ill in Akron to-night, being unable to speak more than twenty minutes. It is probable that all other engagements made for him during this campaign will be cancelled.

CUTTHROAT AND ROBBER.

WILLIAM MILLER BUTCHERS THE SIS-TER OF HIS FRIEND.

eventeen-year-old Minnie Ranhauser Found Bend in the Murderer's Room-A Trail of Blood Marks Her Last Struggle-The Bureau Rised and the Slayer Vanished.

In the neat tenement house at 207 West Sixty-seventh street, on the ground floor, the Ranhauser family has lived for two yearsmother, two daughters, and a son, and with them lived a young German named William The father of the Banhausers died years ago

and left a large family of children. The mother, grown old now, brought them up, and one by one married them off until those she had left were Rose and John and Minnie. Minnie was the youngest, 17 years old, tall, slender, and pretty, with lightbrown hair and blue eyes. She was the house-keeper, and stayed at home with the mother while John and Rose earned the living. John worked at boiler making in Hazelton's shop and Bose made cloaks for Meyer Gaus at 151 Spring street.

The house they live in has three apartments on a floor. Two of these are in the front, their doors opening out of either side of the common hallway, and the third is entered through a door at the end of the hall, opposite the street

It was in the back spartment that the Ranhausers lived. When you leave the main hallway you find yourself in a little private hall. On the right is a bedroom, the kitchen is on the left, in front of you the dining room. and again opening from this is another bed room with its door to the right hand. William Miller and John Ranhauser slept in

the first bedroom in a double bed and Mrs. Ranhauser and her two daughters slept in the room that opens from the living room, the mother and Rose in a double bed and Minnie in a single one, close against the wall. A big plano takes up a good part of the living room, and all the rooms show that the family is prosperous.

It was through the son John that William Miller came to be one of the family. Six years ago they met where they were working and ever since Miller has made his home with them, except for a period of six months two years ago when he went to Chicago.

He is a plano action maker, and worked at Little Twelfth street and Eleventh avenue.

Last Sunday Mrs. Ranhauser left home for a yesit of a few days to her daughter, Mrs. Kaunde of 18 Pearl street.

Yesterday the other members arose at their accustomed time, and one by one went away, leaving Minnie to keep the house. Miller and John left about 6 o'clock, and at 7:35 Rose went away.

John was to go that night to Pearl street to in the room that opens from

he threw her first, and Minnie's own, and some, too, in a bowl that could not be accounted for last night. That Minnie escaped for a time seems clear, for blood marks make a trail out into the living room and the hall and into the room where she was found. Rushing toward the street, she was caught in front of Miller's door, dragged in, pinned to the bed, and butchered. The final fatal stroke cut clear to the backbone, severing the windpipe and jugular. She was fully dressed when she was found, just as Rose had left her in the morning.

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That Miller had always been fond of Minnie ever since he came into her home and found her a pretty girl of 10, was well known to the family, and his care of her was so great that he often read stories to her from the newspapers and warned her against picnics and other diversions, but he had never paid her other attention.

Only the night before they had played games together.

There was no clue to Miller's whereabouts last night. He has no relatives, so far as any one knows, and made few acquaintances. He spent his evenings at home with the two girls playing the piano and singing.

He is a thin-faced man of 24, with a very large Roman nose and pointed, prominent chiu. His complexion is fair, and he wears a very small, light moustache.

His hair is light brown, fine, and straight, and brushed in a wave across the forehead. He is thin chested, but broad and square across the shoulders, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, and weighs about 135 pounds.

His most noticeable feature is his eyes, which are large and gray and have a rather wild look.

OFF FOR LIBERIA.

Farewell Reception to a Party of Sims Unt versity Professors.

A farewell reception was given last evening at the rooms of the Aldine Club, Lafayette place, to Messrs. O. F. Cook, Professor of Bot any: George D. Brownell, Professor of Minerology; Guy N. Collins, Professor of Entomology, all of Sims University, Syracuse, and Dr. Charles Edward Thomson of Bellevue Hospital staff, who will sail this morning from Pier 37. East River, on the bark Liberia for the renubile of Liberia.

There were present Charles T. Geyer, Secretary of the New York State Colonization Society; the Rev. Dr. John D. Wells, Vice-President Edward B. Merrill, Chairman of the Executive Committee, the Rev. Dr. Gardiner S. Plumley, editor of the Learner and Teacher; the Rev. R. G. S. McNeille, Bridgeport; James McKeen, George A. Plimpton, Robert P. Pooley, Sierra Leone, the Hon. Isaac T. Smith. Consul-General of Siam to the United States, and others.

These gentlemen go out to Liberia to establish an industrial school in Monrovia similar to the Armstrong school at Hampton, Va. They will remain in Liberia from one to three years. They are commissioned by the New York State Colonization Society to make a thorough exploration of the resources of the country. ogy, all of Sims University, Syracuse, and

Mrs. Engelhardt and Her Granddaughter Run Over.

Elizabeth Engelhardt, 54 years old, of 27 Charles street, and her 3-year-old granddaughter, Elida Wieder, were crossing Delancey street at Attorney street at 5% o'clock yesterday afternoon when a peddler's wagon came clattering along. The horse knocked the woclattering along. The horse knocked the wo-man down. She fell on the little girl, deter-mined to save her.

Detectives Shalvey and Sullivan came up in time to stop the second wheel from passing over the pair. The front wheel passed over the woman's back. The driver started off at a furious rate, but was caught and locked up.

An ambulance was summoned from Gou-verneur Hospital and the surgeon dressed the injuries of Mrs. Engelhardt had the child, who were able to go home. Mrs. Engelhardt is confined to her bed.

Plane for the Nassau Cable. NASSAU. N. P., Oct. 26.-It has been arranged that the steamer Westmeath will sail from London on Dec. 1 to bring out the new cable and lay it from Nassau to Juniter Inlet Fla. The work is to be completed by Jan. 10, 1892. **\ESTS**

Exhaustive Government tests, scientific tests by State and City THAT Boards of Health, the tests by PROVE juries of competitive and industrial exhibitions, the minute and

prejudiced tests by rival manufacturers, and (best of all) the tests by American housewives in their daily use of it in practical cooking for a quarter of a century, have proven the Royal Baking Powder faultless, the greatest in leavening strength, absolutely pure and wholesome. Every test proves its superiority.

MORE LIBEL SUITS BY QUAY.

The Senator's Family Said to Be Urging Him On-A Demand for Information, BEAVER, Pr., Oct. 30.-Senator Quay had warof libel, and also a capies in a civil action, the Daily Star, for publishing a fac-simile of the Bardsley Keystone certificate, and against

its issue of this afternoon, in referring to the libel suit, says: "We never expected such great good fortune to overtake us so early in our career, but if it is the Lord's will and Quay's we certainly ought to be satisfied. If the honorable Senator wants a little diversion for himself and the public generally in court, we are willing to take our

part in the play." A friend of Mr. Quay, in speaking of the matter this evening, said that aside from the Senator's own feelings in the matter the course he had taken was the result of the upon Mrs. Quay, and on other ladies of the family, of the attacks upon the Senator's character. "Their life," he said, "has been made

life," he said, "has been made a burden, and Mr. Quay determined to put an end to these attacks once for all by decisive action." The Senator and his son, when asked to-day whether the matter would be pushed to the end, replied: "It will be pushed to the end, replied: "It will be pushed to the claim that the suits would be dropped after election, the Senator responded: "Let them wait and see."

Mr. Quay's anger was not satisfied with this, and so he sent the following telegram to Comptroller Lacey in Washington:

"I bog to be informed at your earliest convenience by whose authority or permission a certificate of reposit for \$8.877, dated Nov. 29, 1889, endersed by John Bardsley and by me, which is among the papers of the Keystone National Bank, an institution in the custody of the United States, was delivered to the Democratic State Committee to be photographed, lithographed, and published throughout the State by the Democratic press, as is now being done."

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Pittsburon, Oct. 30.—James Mills, writing editor of the Post, appeared at the office of Alderman McMasters this morning and entered bail in the suit for criminal libel brought by Senator Quay against that journal. John D. Scully, cashier of the First National Bank, was his bendsman in the sum of \$2,000.

Washingron, Oct. 30.—Mr. Lacey, Comptrolier of the Currency, said to-night that he had received a telegram from Senator Quay asking by whose authority the Keystone certificate was delivered to the Democratic State Committee. He said, however, that it did not reach him until after office hours, and therefore it would be impossible for him to investigate the matter before to-morrow morning. He had no personal knowledge whatever of the transaction referred to by Senator Quay, but he had decided not to reply to his telegram until he could look further into the matter in the morning. He certainly had not authorized the delivery of the certificate to the Democratic committee or to anybody else, but he would like to ascertain if any one connected with the service had done so before he replied to Mr. Quay.

Guards Indicted for Helping Prisoners to

Sr. Louis, Oct. 30 .- On the afternoon of Oct. in this city. Among the number were two confor McCabe, who was summoned specially to the meeting, made the charges and then withdrew. John Tasker, delegate of the steam or proved that the Central Labor Union fitters, moved that the circumstances seem to prove the meeting, made the charges against him as malicious and untrue, and all the circumstances seem to prove the control Labor Union his integrity should be first be one saw him return. He carried a circular expressing the confidence of the Central Labor Union his integrity should be first be of the central Labor Union in his integrity should be reinted for general circulation. The motion was carried amid cheers.

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Sing Sing, Oct. 30.—George A. Brandreth, who lives here, sitached the property of his sister, Mrs. Symonds, for \$45,000 raises. hank thieves who had achieved a national rep-

Prairie Fires in Kassas.

WICHITA, Oct. 30.-Lawyer Willard Bono, who arrived from the western part of the State tonight, reports extensive prairie fires in Gray

and Ford counties. For miles the Santa Fé train, on which he was a passenger, travelled at its utmost speed through a sea of flame. From the train farm through a sea of flame. From the train farm buildings and stacks of hay and grain could be seen burning, and people and stock fleeing before the flames.

Mr. Bone says there must have been a number of human lives and many a head of stock lost in the vicinity of Beaumont, Butler county. Thousands of acres of grazing land were burned over last night, fences destroyed, and stock burned or scattered in all directions.

NEW BEDFORD, Oct. 30.-The long looked for news from the Arctic Ocean whaling fleet was received here to-day, and it is very discouraging. No losses have been reported, but whaling has been decidedly poor. The reported massacre of the crew of the ported massacre of the crew of the steamer Grampus has no foundation. The Grampus and Mary H. Hume, both steamers, remained at Herschel Island. Arctic Ocean, last winter and got the advantage of early whaling. These two vessels captured thirty-four out of forty-live bowhead whales taken in the Arctic Ocean proper. The Grampus on Oct. 3 was on her way to San Francisco, and at that date whaling was going on.

Joseph C. Ross Arrested.

ELIZABETH. N. J., Oct. 30.-Joseph C. Boss, for many years Assessor of Taxes for the Seventh ward of this city and one of the leading real estate dealers here, was arrested to-day on an indictment for embezzlement found on an indictment for embezzlement found against him by the Grand Jury of Union county. The complainant is Charles H. Marvin of Brooklyn, who employed Ross to collect rents for him in this city on property owned by Marvin. The latter says there is a shortage of about \$200 in Ross's accounts with him, and that the latter refused to make it good. Ross was taken before Judge McCormick in the Union County Court and was held in \$500 ball to appear for trial on Nov. 9. He was released on ball to-night.

A Mexican Village Burned by Indiana, HUAYMAS, Mexico, Oct. 30.—Information has reached this city of the burning of the Mexican reached this city of the burning of the Mexican village of Santa Rosa and the massacre of several of its inhabitants by Yaqui Indians on the night of Oct. 18.

Santa Rosa is an interior village with perhaps 200 inhabitants living in thatched huts. The Indians came down from the mountains and suddenly fired the village and killed several Mexicans. A detachment of soldiers was immediately sent in pursuit, but none of the Indians has been captured, and it is feared that they are carrying on depredations in other parts of Sonora.

A Setback for Women Who Want to Vote CHICAGO, Oct. -30 .-- The Supreme Court of Illinois has decided adversely to the Chicago women in the women's suffrage case. At Otwomen in the women's sunrage case. At Octawa to-day the motion for leave to file a petition for mandamus was denied on the ground that the petition sought to be filed was uncertain and did not contain allegations sufficient to warrant the issuance of a writ. The decision does not touch the question of the constitutionality of the recent State law.

Why, Mr. Burieigh! Henry G. Burleigh sends THE SUN this de-

WHITEHALL, Oct. 30 .- Have made no such statement as that in your Friday's issue. Kindly publish this message: Northern New York will give its usual Republican majority— quite as large as it gave Gen. Harrison. "H. G. Burleige."

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OBITUARY.

William H. Brand, a leading Republican of central New York, and a life-long resident of Leonardsville, Madison county, died on Monday, aged 68 years. He entered on his political career in the days of the old Liberty party as an enthusiastic Abolitionist, and when the Republican party was founded he became one of Richard Stiffey, writing editor. Damages in the civil action are laid at \$10,000. The Star in

publican party was founded he became one of its local leaders. His first public office was that of representative of his town in the Madison County Board of Supervisors. He represented the Madison county Assembly district in the State Legislature of 1862 and again in 1863. He served as State Senator for the Madison-Oswego district for the term 1870-71. Subsequently he declined a nomination for Congress on account of falling health. He had been an invalid for five years past. He is survived by his wife and by a daughter. Mrs. Milo M. Clark of Westerly. R. L.

Miss Julia Greer Simmons, the elder daughter of J. Edward Simmons, President of the Fourth National Bank, died suddenly yesterday morning at her home, 28 West Fifty-second street. Miss Simmons was in her eighteenth year. For a few days she had been ill with some gastric trouble, but it was not regarded as serious. At 3 o'clock yesterday morning she suddenly sat up in bed, and before her nurse could reach her she fell back and expired. Miss Simmons was apparently in good health and her death has completely prostrated Mr. Simmons. She was attending a private school in West Fifty-seventh street and was alrendy planning to make her debut in society next season. She was a communicant of St. Thomas's Church and the funeral services will be held there on Monday morning at 10% o'clock.

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John Babbage, one of the ploneer millers of Rochester, died on Thursday in that city, aged 78 years. He came to this country a poor emigrant in 1837, and walked nearly all of the distance between New York and Rochester. He got work on the first day of his arrival in the then village of Rochester at the old Beach mill, one of the first that gave the place its reputation as a flour manufacturing centre. Two years later he went in business for himself, and married into the Wescott family. He had been identified prominently with the business interests of Rochester and Monroe county ever since. In 1844 he established the first commission house in that part of the State that made a specialty of shipping fruit to Canada. His wife died in July. He is survived by a son, Dr. E. F. Babbage of Rochester, and two daughters.

Appleton Bragg of Braggville, Mass., died on Thursday, aged 8t. In the earlier days of the boot manufacturing business he was very prominent. For a time he was a partner in the firm of C. B. Parsons & Co. of New York, where he lived. He returned to his home village in 1851 with a fortune, and, buying the paternal homestead, set about trying to make Braggville larger than Milford, of which it is a part. Poor investments and a more or less eccentric character, however, gradually dwindled his fortune.

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These old people have died in western Pennsylvania in the last few days: Mrs. Rebecca Jack, Leechburg, aged 55; Andrew McNamara. Sharpsburg, 74; Mrs. Jeanette Van Ullem. Pittsburgh, 73: David A. Weaver, Allegheny, 71; Mrs. Catherine McGann, Pittsburgh, 73; Jacob Doolittle, Mansfield Valley, 83; John Gable, Meadville, 70; Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hildebrand. Allegheny, 70; Elrod Johnston, Saltsburg, 83: Mrs. Tabitha Powers, New Brighton, 74; Mrs. Barbara Weber, Pittsburgh, 77.

J. M. Goodwin, who died at Sharpsville, Pa., on Wednesday night, was a Boston man who came to Pennsylvania in 1874. Since that time he has been closely identified with the development of the coal and iron industries of Mercer county. He was an authority on freight statistics of these products, and did important work on the Eric Canal Commission of Pennsylvania. He was 58 years old, and died of brain fever. The body was taken to Plymouth, Mass., for burlal.

Col. B. C. Yancey, whose death in Georgia at the age of 76 is reported, was a brother of the once famous William L. Yancey. He had been a member of the Legislature of South Carolina, a member of the State Senate of Alabama, and a member of the State Senate of Alabama, and a member of the Legislature of Georgia. He had also been Minister to the Argentine Republic under Buchanan's Administration, and was for several years President of the Georgia State Agricultural Society. During our civil war he was a cavalry officer of the Confederacy.

The funeral of Michael Murty took place year brenday from his late residence. 104 North

several years as a master mechanic, and was a delegate to the Democratic General Committee from the Eleventh ward. He was a charter member of the Volunteer Firemen's Associa-

Mr. H. J. Fowler, who died in Atlanta, Ga., on the 25th of October, had been in the course of his life a soldier in the Indian wars, a doctor in successful practice, and a Methodist preacher of long experience. He was 75 years of age at the time of his death, and left two children and many grandchildren. Orson H. Smith. for forty years a leading citizen of Marathon, N. Y., died on Sunday, aged 65 years. He filled many public stations, including that of President of the vilage of Marathon. He was a devoted Methodist class-leader. He leaves a wife and five children.

Mrs. May Davis, who has been for some years one of the most notable characters of Ocean Grove, died there on Thursday night at the home of her niece, Mrs. Samuel F. Holmes. She was 87 years old. She lived nearly all her life in South Carolina. F. Gleason Rulofson, a prominent citizen of Stamford, N. Y., is dead, aged 45 years. He was Postmaster during Garfield's Administra-tion, and has been President of the village and a member of the Board of Education of the Stamford Seminary.

Stamford Seminary.

Prof. Thomas B. Evans, dean of the Baltimore School of Medicine and a prominent physician of that city, died yesterday from liness caused by a carbuncle. Dr. Evans was born in Baltimore and was nearly 69 years old.

Alexander Wills. an old veteran, died at Wormleysburg. Pa., on Thursday, aged 46 years. He served during the war with the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and participated in Sherman's famous march to the sea.

Paul R. Paulison, aged 82, died in Hacken-Paul R. Paulison, aged 82, died in Hacken-sack yesterday, after a prolonged illness. He was a Presbyterian, and a few years since was especially conspicuous in local religious and temperance work.

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Lewis R. Peck, one of the most conspicuous and wealthy citizens of Yates county, dies Wednesday in the town of Benton, aged 72. He is survived by a wife, son, and daughter. Joseph Van Houten, a prominent citizen of Naples, Ontario county, died on Wednesday, aged to. His death followed the amputation of a foot. He leaves a widow and a son.

Capt. James P. Jack died at his home in Bellevue, Pa., yesterday, aged 77. His entire life was spent as a pilot on Ohio river boats. Julia Buttles Smith, wife of Hamilton L. Smith, senior professor in Hobart College, died yesterday morning in Geneva. Mrs. Freeman, wife of Judge John G. Freeman of Niagara county, died on Thursday in Lockport aged 72. Mrs. White, wife of Charles White, Sheriff of Schuyler county, died at Watkins on Thurs-day, aged 47 years. Nicholas P. Apollonio, City Registrar of Bos-ton since 1864, died yesterday. He was 75 years old. Prince Czartoryski, Vice-President of the Upper House of the Austrian Parliament, is Gen. Gomez died in the city of Mexico yes-terday.

Convicts Escape Through a Tunnel. Jackson, Mich., Oct. 30.—John Dunavin. Walter Briquelet, and Charles Keehn escaped from the Michigan State prison yesterday afternoon by means of a tunnel 30 feet long and 19 inches in diameter, running from the iron shop between two large piles of iron to a point just outside the north wall.

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QUEBEC IS FOR ANNEXATION.

And by a Hundred Thousand Majority, Mr.

Engeller Says.

Br. Louis, Oct. 30.—The Chronicle has an interview with the Hon. Charles Langeller, M. P. of Quebec, who passed through St. Louis on his way to Toledo last night. Mr. Langeller is Liberal leader Wilfred Laurier's right-hand man. Of Mr. Chapleau's resignation he said: "I think Mr. Chapleau has demanded no more than is his right in his province. With Langevin disposed of, Quebec has no Cabinet representative except Caron, and he is not a man. Without Chapleau the Government can-

man. Without Chapleau the Government cannot carry the first division of the House."

Of the feeling in Quobec about annexation, Mr. Langelier said:

"I don't care to give my own views precisely, but if a vote were taken on annexation Quobec would be for it by 100,000 majority. The French Liberals are particularly in its favor. The first step toward annexation must be reciprocity, then comes annexation, which is inevitable."

OTAWA. Oct. 30.—Premier Abbett informed Secretary of State Chapleau yesterday that he would accept his resignation rather than yield to his demands. Mr. Abbett went to Montreal for Col. Ouimet, ex-Speaker of the House of Commons, and offered him the post in the Cabinet as one of the four Ministers from the province of Quebec, now held by Chapleau, which Ouimet declined until he could confer with his friend, the Secretary of tate.

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Toronto, Oct. 30.—In a speech made in response to a serenade at Huntsville last night. Erastus Wiman instituted a comparison as to what would be the population of the United States and the population of Canada within the lifetime of the young Canadians he was addressing. He said that in fifty years, at the rate of increase of 20 per cent for each of the five decades, which is less by six per cent, than the last decade, would be shown a population for the United States of 150,000.000. During the same period, even at the rate of 2% per cent, increase for each decade, in Canada, there would result a population of barely 10,000,000. To expect the development of the northern part of the continent without a greater increase in population, with no increase in market beyond Canada's own limited people was to expect an impossibility.

FARMER LANG'S BIG HUSKIN'. Red Ears Never So Plentiful in Connections as They Are This Fall.

Ansonia, Conn., Oct. 30.—If there are any pretty girls in this State who have not been kissed this fall, it is because they have not attended some of the numerous corn huskin's that have been given in every country town. Eugene Lang, a prosperous farmer of Derby Neck, gave his annual corn huskin' last week. Mr. Lang is very popular with the young people for several miles around, and on the night of the

huskin' young men and maidens from Anso-nia, Birmingham, and Seymour drove down to Mr. Lang's farm, and went in for a frolic. The floors of the spacious barns had been swept clean and covered with straw. In the centre of each floor was piled a great heap of corn.

clean and covered with straw. In the centre of each floor was piled a great hosp of corn, and, after the young folks had been assigned to places around the piles. Mr. Lang gave the word. Then the husks flew. The young men eagerly sought for the red ears, while the girls were on the defensive, expecting every minute that some big strapping yokel would demand the forfeit, and apprehensive that it would be somebody whom they "just positively hated."

The first ear of this kind was captured by a young woman from Seymour. She quietly nudged the young man who escorted her, and grabbing the ear, he held it aloft and rushed for his forfeit. There were twenty-six girls in the circle, and not to cause any ill feeling he took a forfeit from each of them.

It was glorious fun. The barns were illumined with a dim, uncertain light from lanterns hung high up on the beams, and it was a very easy matter to hide a red ear in the straw and draw it out every five minutes and demand a forfeit on it. This was done by several, and Mr. Lang said he would "be danged if he ever saw so many of them red cars in one heap of corn before in his life." The huskin' went on, and the fun with it. Once in a while some bashful swaln would got a slap on the ear, with a "Now you go long and don't be botherin' me ail the time:" and when he obeyed, the look of unutterable scorn that came into the eyes of the young woman showed how she felt that he should take the words so literally. After the huskin' came a supper and a dance. It was early in the morning when the fun was over, and it is said that several red ears found their way into the overcoats of the country gallants to be utilized on the way home.

The new building in which the inaugural con-cert of the New York College of Music on Fifty-

by Saint-Saens, and Brahms's "Lubes-lieder," or "Songs of Love"—a charming cycle of songs that is too seldom heard at concerts. They were sung by Miss Fannis Hirsch, Mrs. Anna Bulkley Hills, Mr. Henry Lincoln Case, Mr. Herman Silvary, Miss Alice Hore, and Mr. Dirk Haagmans.

The audience was composed largely of musicians connected with the college, their scholars, and their friends, who were enthusiastic in their attention to the music and in the prophecies of the President for the future success of this young conservatory.

Ordered to Make Restitution,

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.-The Inter-State Conmerce Commission to-day announced its dedision of the case of the Bailroad Commission of Florida against the Savannah, Florida and Western Railway Company and other lines forming routes from Florida to Northern marterming routes from Florida to Northern markets. The case involves the reasonableness of rates on oranges, and the decision was:

"The Clyde and Mallory steamship lines and the Florida Central Railroad Company, a railroad wholly in Florida, are engaged in interstate commerce, as alleged in the complaint, and as such are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The advance of 10 cents a box in accordance.

and as such are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The advance of 10 cents a box in orange rates made Nov. 28, 1800, was without justification, and unreasonable to the extent of 5 cents per box, and defendants are required to reduce it accordingly, and to make reparation to the persons entitled thereto. The proceeding is continued for the purpose of, determining the amounts due such persons."

It will be noted that this is the first case where the Commission has ordered restitution to be made. All previous decisions of the Commission have been confined to requiring carriers to desist from unlawful practices.

The Dynamite Fell Out of the Balleon,

BIRMINGHAM, Oct. 30.-There was an attempt at the State Fair grounds to-day to produce rain by exploding dynamite high up in the air. rain by explosing dynamics inga dynamics are as a strong current of air caught the balloon as it went up and was carrying it straight toward the grand stand, when the bag burned open and the dynamite fell out, striking the ground on the race track and exploding with great force. No one was hurt.

The Attack on the Jews at Starodub.

ODESSA, Oct. 31.-A letter from Starodub orings reliable information of the recent antilewish excesses. During the attack on the Jews in their homes five young Jewesses were outraged so cruelly that they died of their injuries. The number of deaths altogether resulting from the barbarity of the moh was not less than twenty.

The Princes at Parnell's Grave. DUBLIN, Oct. 30.—The Duke of Clarence and Avondale and Prince George to-day visited Mr. Parnell's grave in Glasneyin Cometery.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

The Cape Breton heirs of Timothy Ingraham have retained New York lawyers to prosectic their claim to an estate in England valued at \$10,00.0.000. D. M. Wright of Modena, N. Y. was found dead in bed at the Zimmer House in Poughkeepsie yesterday morn-ing. The gas in the room was tirried on full head. ing. The gas in the room was turned on full head.
A four-story building at the corner of Canal and Michigan streets. Userland, owned by H. Mueller & Co., and
occupied by that tirm as a malt warchouse, and by A.Kohade & Co. for storing crockery, was burned yesterday. Loss \$1400.000.

The schooner Empress, Capt. Kelly, from New York
for Kennehungbort with 200 tons of hard cost went
ashore on Fox Found, near the mouth of the Kennehung
River. Me. on Thurshay night, and vessel and cargo will
probably be a total loss.

President Research

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President Raymond of Wesleyan University, Middleton, ton, says Stadent Narramore has made two statements regarding his recent desappearance. The real reason, Mr. Raymond says, has not been made public, that there was nothing criminal in it.

The United States cruiser Newrik, at the Charlestown Navy Yard, has been examined or a Board of Survey, which has reported to Washington and it is expected that the vessel will be ordered placed in the dry dock at once. Mrs weeks will be required to compaste repairs, and they will cost about \$15,000.

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In the Superior Criminal Court in Boston yesterday, in
the case of the city against Henry Abrahams, secretary
of the Central Labor Union, who delivered an oration
in Frankin Park on July 4 without the consent of the
Park Commissioners, Julyse Bond found the defendant
guilty, and the case will be taken to the Suprems Court. cought in the waster canalism the